



### Kiwanis Ready With Plans For Best Convention

Clayton M. Hall To Be Torrance Delegate to Memphis Gathering

Nearly three hundred Kiwanians have made hotel reservations for the eleventh annual convention in Memphis, Tenn., it is stated in late reports from the international convention headquarters. Clayton M. Hall will attend as delegate from Torrance.

"Judging from the registrations and general conditions, Kiwanis will have its largest and most successful convention this year," Meriton S. Heiss, convention manager, says. "Never before have plans been so effectively carried out to make a Kiwanis convention a success. The Kiwanians and visitors who come to Memphis in June will have an opportunity of experiencing southern hospitality and witnessing some of the customs of the Old South."

Ralph A. Amerman of Scranton, Pa., president of Kiwanis International, says: "Every one of our members will find the June convention of interest—all international. We have arranged our convention to care adequately for all Kiwanis business affairs, and our entertainment will be both novel and typically southern."

Social engagements of the convention will include a religious musicale, All Kiwanis Night, Memphis Night, and a reception to the international president. During afternoon business sessions all women guests will be entertained at social gatherings.

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### Highway News

Notes on California Roads Furnished by National Auto Club

Automobile roads to the North Rim of the Grand Canyon opened on May 21, for the first time since November 15, 1925. Winter snow conditions on the North Rim were quite severe during the last season, with maximum snow depth of 61 inches on the level and a minimum temperature of 42 degrees below zero. Many snow drifts still remain on the north side hills, but the park service has now cleared the last drift which blocked the roads, and it is now possible for automobiles to reach Bright Angel Point from Fredonia and Kanab via the Kaibab Forest. The North Rim trip is becoming very popular with motorists, the growth of tourist travel there having amounted to almost 850 percent in six years. Splendid views of the Grand Canyon are had from the North Rim, while the well known Kaibab deer herd and the Kaibab Forest, the largest virgin forest in the country, are equally interesting. Wylie Way Camp, pioneer hotel of the North Rim, will open on or about June 1.

The following report of conditions over the route from Paso Robles to Bakersfield, via Shandon (Chorone and Antelope Valley), is supplied by the touring department of the National Automobile Club: Distance, 118 miles. Paved to bridge just east of Union; good gravel road to within five miles of Bakersfield. The entire road is in good condition with the exception of eight miles between Paso Robles and Shandon, which is in the process of being oiled. Cars may get through without getting any oil by using the detours marked on the highway. Pavement is followed through Lost Hills to Wasco; oiled road in excellent condition to Famosa; paved to Bakersfield.

The Mill Creek road to Big Bear Valley is now under construction. It is open as far as Seven Oaks and Barton's Flats during week-ends. The road is open from Saturday at 11 a. m. until 6:30 Monday morning. The road is not advisable above Barton's Flats. This construction work is scheduled to be in progress during the entire summer season. The City of Big Bear is now in better condition than it was at any time during last season. There are three very short stretches of temporary single-track road, due to repair work.

The Associated Engineers of the University of Nevada and their Crucible Club organization are making plans to build a 100-foot wall around Mark Twain's cabin at Idlewild Park, from Nevada ores. Various mine operators have been requested to donate 50- or 100-pound lots of ore for this purpose. The ore is to be broken into small bits, which are to be imbedded in cement panels to form the wall. Each panel will represent the ore from one particular mine and will bear the name of the giver. While Mark Twain lived in a number of places in Nevada during his newspaper career in the west, this cabin is authenticated as his dwelling place during the hectic days of Aurora. It was in this silver camp that Twain almost submerged his talents as a great writer by gaining a great fortune from a mine.

Following is a report of road conditions between Fresno and Huntington Lake: Paved to Clovis; improved to Academy; fine condition to Big Creek and the lake. Considerable work has been done on the Big Creek-Huntington Lake road, scraping and widening, and this section is now in the best condition in its history. The modern California Edison Company has also done considerable work on the road from the dam at the head of Big Creek-Huntington Lake road around the north shore of the lake as far as Lake Shore Resort. Much widening and filling has been done, and the road for the entire distance is dry and hard. Little dust will be encountered at present on account of light travel. Trout fishing is good at the lake. Jack Lloyd spinners with grub worms or angle worms is the bait that has the best results. Some big ones are being taken and many anglers report limit catches. Several of the Huntington Lake resorts are open, so good accommodations may be had.

The state highway crew is just completing the work of hard-surfacing the road between Barstow and Victorville. This provides a hard-surfaced road the entire distance from Los Angeles to Barstow.

Construction will begin at an early date upon a five-mile improved highway in Grand Canyon National Park, under the supervision of the United States bureau of good roads and with funds provided by the federal government. This project covers the completion to Desert View of the road being under contract as far as Grand View. The Grand View section, on which work is now in progress, is to be surfaced with penetration macadam, while the new section will be graded and finished with all modern drainage structures, but will not be surfaced until a later date. Park service officials are making every effort toward the completion of a comprehensive road system making accessible all points of interest along the canyon on both the north and south rims. With the recent opening of the new public auto camps, a great increase in the number of visitors is expected during the regular vacation period.

Six miles of construction work

is now under way on the road around the south side of Lake Elsinore. This road leaves the state highway at a point about one mile north of Elsinore, and will be completed to a point opposite the lower end of the lake. Five inches of crushed rock and oil are being placed on the road, and it is scheduled for completion within six or eight weeks.

### Southwest Part Of County To Be Greatly Helped

Mattoon Act Amendments, Affecting Harbor Area Are Signed

Two recent events are of great importance to our southwest district. Probably the more important is the signing of the Mattoon act

amendments by the governor, which will constitute their legality on July 29. These amendments greatly clarify the act, and it is reported that authorities on improvement bonds declare that new developments under the act can be expeditiously financed. These amendments, therefore, will tend to greatly advance the progress of our parks and parkways program.

The evidence in the hearing to establish condemnation values for the lands to be acquired in Alondra Park has all been submitted to Judge Valentine. Review of the case would indicate that the interests controlling the majority of the area to be condemned have attempted to establish a valuation

of \$3500 per acre, with frontage values of \$30 on Cypress avenue, \$40 on Prairie avenue, and \$50 on Riverside-Redondo boulevard. An analysis of the appraisals presented by the county seems to indicate a valuation of approximately \$2000 per acre, with a higher frontage valuation at the important corners. The decision of Judge Valentine will probably be rendered within the next 60 or 90 days.

The plans prepared by Olmsted Brothers with recommendations as to parks at Redondo, Gardena, and Alondra Park, and for the parkways, are now in the hands of the county officials.

It is therefore evident that during the coming summer the program for the development of our district, started in 1926, will have attained much progress, and it seems a certainty that actual construction will be started during this year.—From Southwestgram.

### Our Want Ads Bring Results



## Edison Rates Reduced

**B**ELIEVING that a reduction in the maximum lighting rate would stimulate the use of electric appliances in the home, the Southern California Edison Company, after consulting the Railroad Commission of California and with its approval, announces a reduction from the present rate of six and one-half cents to five and six-tenths cents per kilowatt hour. This rate will be put into effect July 1, 1927.

#### 14% Saving

This reduction will mean a saving of 14% in the average consumer's lighting bill.

#### Effective for June Consumption

While the new rate will go into effect on July 1, 1927, it will be effective for June consumption of electricity. Meters read on and after July 1 measuring June use will be charged at the new rate.

#### Lowest Rate

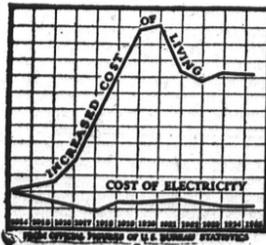
While the rates now in effect on the Edison lines are lower than many other communities enjoy, this new rate will be one of the lowest in effect in the United States.

#### Permanence of Rate Depends on Consumer Use

This new rate is an experiment of the Edison Company and it is proposed to try it for one year. With the co-operation of all its consumers, the Company hopes it may be made permanent.

Electricity is one of the few commodities that have decreased in cost during the past ten years. This decrease is very largely due to the constant increase in the number of uses to which electricity has been put. Two decades ago it is safe to say that not more than one woman out of ten had ever seen an electric iron, the first electric appliance to be generally accepted by the public. Today on the Edison system alone there are in excess of 312,000 electric irons in use.

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### DeBra Makes Trip to Arizona and Back

Chester Harshman and Wesley Koehler, after a trip to Arizona last week with Gene DeBra, have decided to remain for a time in the vicinity of Prescott. Mr. DeBra drove out with them last Wednesday, and returned to Torrance Saturday. Some difficulty was experienced on the trip at the Blythe ferry across the Colorado River. The water is so high, Mr. DeBra said, that the ferry had to be drawn upriver far beyond its landing place, to tack across with the current. The crossing is made more exciting by floating tree trunks and debris.

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